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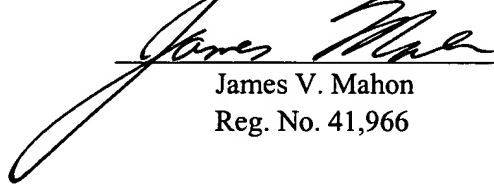
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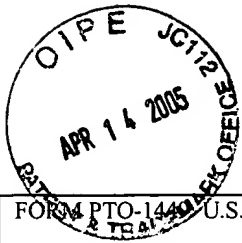
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	WO 01/27881	4/19/01	PCT	Yes

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		I C You et al, Expert System for Castability Evaluation: Using a Fixed-Features Based Design Approach dated 1989, pages 181-189
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